Assembly Bill No. 2752

CHAPTER 345

An act to amend Sections 14534 and 65089.2 of the Government Code, to amend Section 22031 of the Public Contract Code, to amend Sections 40333 and 99502 of the Public Utilities Code, to amend Sections 301, 334, 355, 532, and 721 of the Streets and Highways Code, and to amend Sections 2403.5, 5004.3, 9250.14, 15210, 27360, 34500, 34501.2, and 38020 of the Vehicle Code, relating to transportation.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SEC. 3.

Section 22031 of the Public Contract Code is amended to read:

22031.

- (a) Prior to January 1, 2013, this article shall not prohibit a board of supervisors or a county road commissioner from utilizing, as an alternative to the procedures set forth in this article, the procedures set forth in Article 25 (commencing with Section 20390) of Chapter 1.
- (b) On or after January 1, 2013, this article shall not prohibit a board of supervisors or a county road commissioner from utilizing, as an alternative to the procedures set forth in this article, the procedures set forth in Article 25 (commencing with Section 20390) of Chapter 1 for both of the following:
- (1) Maintenance and emergency work.
- (2) New road construction and road reconstruction as long as the total value of the new road construction and the road reconstruction performed under the procedures set forth in subdivision (c) of Section 20395 during a fiscal year does not exceed 30 percent of the total value of all work performed by force account other than maintenance as reported in the Controller's Streets and Roads Annual Report as of March 1 of each year prior to the fiscal year.
- (c) The value of force account work necessary to facilitate capital projects for the purpose of contracting to the private sector, including design, engineering, inspection, testing, and other force account work necessary to administer private contracts, shall be excluded from the 30-percent limit in subdivision (b).
- (d) The value of force account work necessary to facilitate projects performed by county employees, including design, engineering, inspection, testing, and other force account work necessary to administer work performed under subdivision (b), shall apply to the 30-percent limit in subdivision (b).
- (e) On or after January 1, 2013, for a county with a population of less than 50,000, this article shall not prohibit a board of supervisors or a county road commissioner from utilizing, as an alternative to the procedures set forth in this article, the procedures set forth in Article 25 (commencing with Section 20390) of Chapter 1.
- $(f) The \ requirements \ set \ for th \ in \ Section \ 22038 \ shall \ apply \ to \ any \ county \ subject \ to \ this \ section.$
- (g) Any county board of supervisors or county road commissioner acting pursuant to the authority granted in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) shall publicly declare its intention to use this authority prior to commencing work. The public declaration may be on a project-by-project basis, via a list of anticipated projects for the fiscal year, or via a list that may be included in the county's annual budget.